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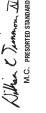






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### PRO LIFE

life. I will never comes to defend-

ing the lives of the unborn. In 2020, I will continue to advocate for the passage of legislation which would prevent any and all taxpayer funding of

There is no more abortions (H.R. 20), defund Planned fundamental right Parenthood (H.R. 369), declare that than the right to life begins at conception (H.R. 616), ban abortions after 20 weeks of pregapologize or com- nancy (H.R. 784), and mandate medpromise when it ical care for infants which survive abortions (H.R. 962). I am proud to support each of these bills and will continue to push for their consideration.

# NFIP



Since joining the House Financial Services Committee in October of last year, reform of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) has quickly

become one of my top priorities. For too long Congress has delayed taking steps to shore up the financial footing of the

program. As a result of this inaction and despite Congress forgiving \$16 billion of NFIP debt just a few years ago, the program is still over \$20 billion in the debt. As the Financial Services Committee debates the future of this program this year, please know I will push for reforms to ensure the NFIP will remain fully functional without the necessity of semi-regular bailouts from the public.

# **BUDGET REFORM**



Reining in irresponsible government spending and reforming the federal budget process have been at the top of my agenda since I

was elected to Congress. This year I will continue to advocate for a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution (H.J. Res 22), and two bills that I sponsored: the Bipartisan Fiscal Responsibility Act (BiFRA) of 2019 (H.R. 4071) and the

Time to Rescue United States Trusts Act (TRUST) (H.R. 4907). These pieces of legislation would seek to prevent Congress from spending more money than we bring in, reform the budget process by mandating a debt-to-GDP ratio target for all federal budgets, and would create a bipartisan task force with the lofty goal of rescuing vital federal government trust funds (Social Security, Medicare, Highway Trust Fund) which are headed toward bankruptcy.

### MODERNIZATION

I am proud to be a member of the Se- that lect Committee on the Modernization are of Congress. This is a truly bipartisan committee, where Republicans and Democrats hold an equal number of seats. Together, we work to make Congress more accessible, transparent, and efficient for the American people. I want to make Congress more effective by updating the House schedule and calendar. Right now, Congress spends more time traveling to and from Washington than actually in the Capitol legislating. My proposal would nearly double the days

Members physically in Washington, which would ensure that we are working together to solve



the critical issues facing our nation. The Committee has passed over 45 bipartisan recommendations and introduced legislation implementing these ideas, H. Res. 756 and H. Res. 526, and will continue this important work in 2020.

# ISRAEL

Over the past 70 years, Israel and the security in the U.S. have developed a unique rela- Middle tionship that has proven critical to (H.R. 336), and contributing to our goal of promoting stability, peace, and the rule of law in an intensely volatile region. Maintaining and building on this important partnership is one of my top pri- Palestinians, Israelis, and Americans two countries (H.R. 1837), improved for their passage in both chambers.

East peaceful negotiations between actors in the region, specifically



orities. I will continue to advocate for (H.R. 3104). I am proud to support continued cooperation between our these bills and will continue to push

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